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## **MEMORANDUM**

PERSONNEL MEMO 22-04

**To:** Cabinet Secretaries

Agency Heads

**Constitutional Officers** 

Human Resource (HR) Administrators

**From:** Gerina D. Whethers, Secretary

**Date:** April 29, 2022

Re: 2022 Public Service Recognition Week

In recognition of Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW), May 1-7, 2022, we are encouraging agencies to explore creative ways to celebrate and acknowledge employees for the broad variety of services they provide. Commonwealth of Kentucky employees have been resilient, flexible, steadfast and deserving of this recognition.

Public Service Recognition Week is also the perfect opportunity to nominate a state employee for the 2022 Governor's Ambassador Award. State employees who have significantly and positively impacted the lives of their co-workers, customers, or community are recognized each year through the Governor's Ambassador Award program. Awards are provided in the areas of customer service, courage, leadership, professional achievement, teamwork, community service and volunteerism.

For ideas on how to recognize your Cabinet or Agency employees, please feel free to use our "PSRW Toolkit" at <a href="https://personnel.ky.gov/Pages/PSRW-Manager-Toolkit.aspx">https://personnel.ky.gov/Pages/PSRW-Manager-Toolkit.aspx</a>. NOTE: State funds cannot be used for Public Service Recognition events.

Submit a nomination for the Governor's Ambassador Awards by June 30, 2022. For further information or updates pertaining to Kentucky Public Service Recognition Week, please visit our website at <a href="https://personnel.ky.gov/pages/rewards.aspx">https://personnel.ky.gov/pages/rewards.aspx</a>. If you have any questions, please contact Nila Meeks, Employee Recognition Branch Manager at <a href="mailto:Nila.Meeks@ky.gov">Nila.Meeks@ky.gov</a> or (502) 564-9818.

Thank you for your service and commitment to a Better Kentucky!